MISSION

Our mission is to provide quality crisis response for critical incidents causing emotional and social impact on individuals and communities.

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Culturally
Based and
Community
Oriented



WFS CRISIS RESPONSE PHILOSOPHY

Crisis Response Services will be a resource to the First Nation Community Care Programs in accordance with the Nanaandawewenin Service Model which reflects the original vision of Weechi-it-tewin - Community Care. As such, services will be family focused, respectful, staffed, community-based, community-directed and community oriented.

Weechi-it-te-win's Crisis Response Model is not a mental health service but rather a wraparound of emotional support that is provided to families and communities.

Crisis response will be provided in a manner that is culturally safe, trauma informed, respectful to the uniqueness and diversity within the communities, respect the diversity of language, spiritual and cultural beliefs and protocols of individuals and communities.

CRITICAL INCIDENTS

A critical incident may include a home or community catastrophe, an abduction, accidental death, suicide, homicide, violent crime, or threat of violence or homicide in a school or community.

Or,

A specific event or situation that causes stress, fear, distress, or grief often seriously impacting individuals and communities.

WEECHI-IT-TE-WIN'S CRISIS RESPONSE MODEL

The Clinical Services Coordinator is the single point of access for crisis response services and will work with the community and other services to create a Crisis Response Plan to be carried out over a 4-day period.

Weechi-it-te-win's Crisis Response Services must be requested by the First Nation community. We will only respond if and when a community invites us in and provides us with their direction.

OUR TEAM

The WFS Crisis Response Team is made up of staff from our Healing and Support Programs. Not all of our crisis responders are mental health counsellors, however, all of our team are certified and trained in Crisis and Trauma Response through the Crisis and Trauma Resource Institute.

PROCESS FOR COMMUNITIES TO ACCESS SUPPORT

1. Community Request

- Directed to Clinical Services Coordinator
- Gathers initial information

2. Community Visit

- Needs Identified Collaborate with other crisis services
- Identify Community Lead



3. Crisis Plan

- Scheduling of workers
- Collaborating with Team, community and other crisis services

4. Crisis Response

- 4 Days of Crisis Response
- Daily communication between leads

5. Closure

- Community team debriefing
- WFS team debriefing

Weechi-it-te-win's Crisis Response Team will also work collaboratively with other community service agencies to ensure continuity of supports.

